

# FOUR WITNESSES TELL OF DISTURBANCES IN IRELAND

**Committee of 100 Opens Investigation of the Irish Question—Eye-Witnesses Described Scenes of Murders and Destruction of Property—Committee is to Conduct a Partial Inquiry," Glean Information Both From Irish and English Sources and Later Send a Committee to Ireland For Further Inquiry.**

Washington, Nov. 18.—(By the A.P.)—  
—Eye witnesses accounts of reported disturbances in Ireland connected with the movement for Irish independence were given today at the opening hearings of the commission of the committee of one hundred investigating the Irish question.  
Four witnesses, including Denis Morris, a member of the committee, testified that the procedure was suspended in Ireland because of the "requis" prohibited by the government and that the only exercise excepted for the British was the right of the British to station soldiers in Limerick.  
Rev. English told the commission that Irish raids through Pennell, a

Thurston, Ireland, and three Americans who visited Ireland recently—John F. Martin, of Green Bay, Wis.; and two unnamed Americans from England, Whitehall, Mont., and Father James H. Cotter of Ironton, Ohio—were heard by the commission. All expressed sympathy for the United States and the role and aid of violent events which they had seen and agreed that civil processes, especially in the case of the republic, were virtually at an end under the rule of the British military forces.

Mr. Morgan said his home was riddled with bullets prior to his arrest and deportation to England without any definite charges being preferred against him. With 200 other Irish republican leaders, he said, he went on a hunger strike until they were released. He also told of "murders" of Irish citizens by the constabulary and soldiers, including the killing of a priest.

older and tan" forces. Father English asserted that British soldiers had confiscated his papers. The military authorities derided his protests that he was an American citizen, he said, and he also told of having witnessed the shooting of an Irishman whose body, he said, was beaten into unrecognizable form.

...soldier, a Catholic priest, told of seeing soldiers bring their arms to the killing. A civilian by the name of William J. ... a British soldier without a mustache. The soldier, he said, was seized by another civilian and reprisals against the town followed an hour later. "Soldiers shot up the streets for several hours," he said. The priest added that he saw a man on his hands and knees under a window ledge at his home.

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bullets. The military, he added, later set fire to two houses and fired into a Galway newspaper plant whose management was friendly to the republican movement.

Father Cotter and Mr. Martin, a Knight of Columbus official, said their sentiment in Ireland as they found it was vitally inimical to free independence.

In opening the hearings, Judge How said that the Commission "was charged with the duty of determining the truth about the facts which form the basis of the charges."

"Sympathies of everyone I met. Catholics and Protestants, were for the republicans," said Patrick Coffey. The reason that religious prejudice or differences were involved in Ireland was unfounded, he added.

"There was absolute unanimity of opinion for home rule," Mr. Martin told

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	<p><b>INCOME TAX \$2,312,000,000 MORE IN 1918 THAN IN 1917</b></p> <p>Washington, Nov. 18.—Despite loss of 74 members by the country's million-</p>	<p><b>PUBLICATION OF FALSE TREATY IN MEX</b></p> <p>Washington, Nov. 18.—Pub Mexico City today of what</p>

the "casualty" income of the United States in 1918 more than \$2,372,000,000 as compared with 1917, according to the income statistics tonight by the bureau of internal revenue. Income reported for 1918 amounted to \$15,923,629,255, against about \$12,760,000,000 in 1917, though 141,000,000 net returns in incomes of \$10,000,000 or more for 1917.

Personal returns filed during 1918 numbered 4,425,114 and the tax, both normal and surtax, amounted to \$1,127,721,626, the average tax for each individual was \$254.85. As compared with 1917, a growth of \$352,234 was shown in the number of returns filed. The increase in the number of returns filed was due to the fact that the normal tax was reduced from 1917 to 1918.

On the other main subject in the spurious pact, continuous flow of oil from Mexican oil by nationals of the three power regarded as conceivable that of informal understanding had been reached by the Mexicans, necessitated by the experience was said officially, however.

return from their husbands was \$39.92 the income represented being \$33,218.749.

Of the industrial groups from which income was derived, agricultural and related industries led, with 32,238 returns representing a total net income of \$1,000,000,000.

Over \$100 million derived from investments for

for the year was \$1,817,314,000. Rents and royalties paid \$975,79,656; interest on bonds, notes, etc., including fiduciaries and foreign source, \$1,405,455,691 and dividends \$2,468,743,244.

Charleston, W. Va., Nov. 18.—state trooper and a miner were killed tonight in a gun fight in the Mingo county coal strike region, according to a report given out here by the state department of public safety.

Colonel Jackson Arnold, commander of the state police, who issued the report, said that the miner was killed by a

**DIRECT PRIMARY DEFENDERS**  
**BY CHARLES EVANS**

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 18.—Charles Evans, advanced reformer, has announced that he will direct primary election in many of the nominations for officers in state or political units in an ad-

Ernest L. Hiple of Huntington, a trooper, is the dead officer. He added that the other man slain was a union leader named Hatfield.

State troopers were sent into the strike zone several weeks ago to relieve United States soldiers, who were withdrawn. The soldiers were called into the strike by Governor John A. Carroll after gun-

merous shooting affrays and disorders had occurred. While the regular army men were in the field the situation was quiet, but since they departed a number of attacks, directed upon coal properties, have occurred.

**DRIVERS FOR FOOTBALL GAME**

Boston, Nov. 18.—All roads will lead to the Yale Bowl at East Haven, Conn., Saturday, but the automobile drivers who use them to reach the scene of the Harvard-Yale football game, will lose their licenses if they drive so as to endanger life by violation of the laws, ac-

New York, Nov. 18.—Ample men "lag behind" the rest of the crowd because of their lack of knowl-  
because of "humanities," said  
Blomer Haskins, dean of the  
School of Arts and Sciences  
university, in an address to  
opening session of the twenty

According to FRANK M. COBBLE, state registrar of motor vehicles in an announcement tonight he said that Massachusetts would work with Connecticut in keeping down accidents on Saturday, and that inspectors would be stationed along the highways to report all offenders.